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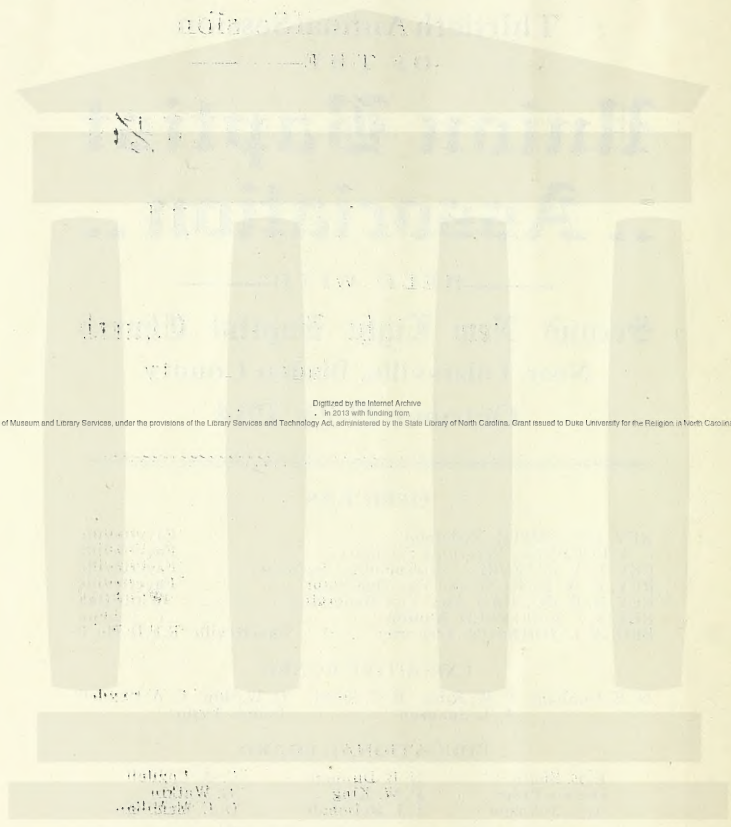

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PROCEEDINGS

THE thirtieth annual session of the Union Baptist Association convened with the Second New Light Baptist Church, near Tolarsville, N.C., Bladen county, Thursday morning, October 22, 1914, at 11 o'clock. Praise service was conducted by Bros. J.E.Geddie and E. M. McMillan. Prayer by Rev. W. H. Diggs. Hymn sung, I love Thy church, oh God. At the conclusion of this service the Moderator, Dr. E. E. Smith, called the Association to order and made preliminary remarks, prefacing the work and business of the Association. The programs were offered for adoption, and after some minor changes, they were accepted as a guide to the Association. Rev. J. J. McDonald had been programed to preach the Introductory Sermon, alternated by Rev. L. H. Maxwell. Both the appointee and alternate being absent, Rev. O. Watkin was chosen to preach in their stead. Rev. Watkin ascended the rostrum, associated by Rev. S. W. Justice, who lined hymn No. 63, A few more years shall roll, etc., then read Scripture 18 verses third chapter Corinthians. Prayer by Bro. Dennis Tysor Second hymn No. 565, Savior, visit Thy Plantation.

The Moderator then introduced the speaker, who arose and chose as a text II Cor. 3:18, "But we all with open face beholding as in a glass, the glory of the Lord are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the spirit of the Lord." At the conclusion of this sermon Rev. F. D. Bandy led in prayer. Then the Welcome Address was delivered by the pastor, Rev. H. Adams, who was introduced by the Moderator, who, as he always does, in a few choice words, made us feel at home. He welcomed us because the Association stands for high religious morals and the cultivation of principles of righteousness, the supreme command of our Lord. Response on behalf

of the Association by Rev. O. C. McMillan, who said that he voiced the sentiment of the entire delegation in accepting the hearty welcome offered by the pastor of this church and that the delegation represented that class of men who were continually working for the advancement and uplift of our people and many other good things that left our hearts throbbing with Heavenly praise.

A call of the roll showed a majority present and the following delegates were enrolled:

Gray's Creek, Rev. R. McLauchlin, A. L. Johnson, F. D. Toomer; Swann's Creek, J. E. Geddie, T. Purdie, Rev. J. R. McNair; Mt. Calvary, Andrew McArthur, S. P. Burden; Piney Grove, (H) D. C. McNeill, Chas. Pouncy; Savannah, B. J. Melvin, D. D. McDonald, Rev. J. J. McDonald; Pleasant Grove, E.McMillan, A.D.Humphrey, J.A.Humphrey; St.Matthew No.1, G.S.Buie: Laurel Hill, P.H.Purdie, J.H.Bain, John Taylor; Mt. Olive, J. H. Jones; Spring Hill, John Wilson; St. John, S. A. McNeill, J. A. Carver, L. R. McNeill; Red Springs, Peter Evans, K. G. Drake, Rev. P. W. King; Mt. Pisgah, Miles Smith, Malcolm Ferguson; Oak Ridge, Wm. Patterson, Will Evans, S. A. Brown; Lillie's Grove, Simon Spearman; New Hope, W. H. Carroll; Piney Grove, (C) E. W. Boon, W. G. Boon, Albert Carr; First New Light, A. B. Brown, G. W. Burney, W. S. Council; Fayetteville, F. M. King, R. R. Darden, C. A. Cogdell; New Bethel, H. C. Johnson, W. H. McEachern, T. J. Campbell; Baptist Union, N. A. Melvin, Isaac Fisher, Geo. McNeill.

The following committees were appointed:

On Finance—N. A. Melvin, Miles Smith, and G. W. Burney.

On New Churches—Revs. P. W. King, P. McMillan, Bros. A. B. Brown, G. W. Carver, Geo. McNeill, John Wilson, Timon Purdie.

On Temperance—Revs. J. J. McDonald, P. W. King, J. J. Scarlett, W. H. Diggs, S. W. Justus, Bros. J. H. Bain and F. M. King.

On Education—Revs. N. B. Dunham, I. P. Pearsall, O. C. McMillan, D. Tysor and C. A. Cogdell.

On Resolutions—Revs. J. J. Scarlett, J. S. Brown, S. W.

Justus, W. H. Townsend, N. B. Dunham, I. P. Pearsall and Bro. D. D. McDonald.

On Obituary—Revs. O. Watkin, L. A. Raiford, W. H. Wilder, J. J. C. Campbell, James McSwain, James Smith, F. D. Bandy, L. H. Maxwell and Bro. W. T. Currie.

On Next Place of Meeting—Rev. H. Adams, B, J. Melvin, D. C. McNeill, A. L. Johnson, W. Evans, L. R. McNeill, John Taylor, J. E. Geddie, D. D. McMillan. G. S. Buie, J. J. Jones, A. McArthur, E. D. L. Council.

On Roll of Elders and Licentiates—Revs. R. McLauchlin, J. R. McNair, N. W. Whitehead, Bros. E. Z. Melvin, Peter Evans and E. M. McMillan.

Rev. J. S. Brown, of the Pee Dee Association, was introduced and made eloquent remarks along the line of Christian work. After the usual announcement, the first session of the meeting closed with benediction by Rev. J. J. Scarlette.

First Day---Afternoon Session

Praise service was conducted by Bro. David Walker and others. Prayer by Rev. J. J. Campbell. The Moderator called the house to order and the minutes of the forenoon session were read and adopted. The report of the Executive Board was called but was deferred until tomorrow morning. The annual address of the Moderator was in order and Rev. J. J. McDonald was called to the chair and the Moderator delivered an eloquent address (see appendix). On motion that the annual address of the Moderator be received and referred to a special committee as follows: Revs. J. J. Scarlette, P. W. King and N. B. Dunham. On motion that the Educational Sermon be deferred until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

Revs. W. H. Townsend and A. D. Boatman, of the Pee Dee and Lumber River Associations respectively, were introduced to the Association and were made welcome to all the privileges usually accorded visitors. The committee on re-organization made its report (See report).

Dr. E. E. Smith at this point spoke of the needs and

the claims of the Theological Department of Shaw University upon our people and urged them to rally to its support.

On motion that there be a committee appointed to treat with the commission from the Union Baptist District Sunday School Convention relative to the consolidation of the educational department of that body with that of the Association, as follows: Revs. J. J. Scarlette, O. Watkin, F. D. Bandy, N. B. Dunham, S.W. Justus, I. P. Pearsall and H. Adams. A collection for Shaw University was taken amounting to $5.25.

Adjourned to meet tonight at 8 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. J. S. Brown.

First Day---Evening Session

Praise service was conducted by Bros. N. A. Melvin and Geo. McNeill, which resulted into spiritual testimony by the brethren and delegates. Rev. W. H. Diggs was appointed to preach at 8 o'clock, and owing to the inclement weather he was absent and Rev. James McSwain was asked to preach. Rev. McSwain used as a text Eph. 10:6, Be strong in the Lord and the power of His might. After which Rev. I. P. Pearsall offered prayer. Revs. Bro. Sipp Smith and Geo. W. Williams, of the Hammon's Creek Association, was present at this time and was introduced to the Association with promises that they would address the Association tomorrow. Collection $2.00.

Adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Benediction by Rev. L. A. Raiford.

Second Day---Morning Session

Praise service was conducted by Bros. C. A. Cogdell and Timon Purdie. Prayer by Rev. S. W. Justus, after which the Moderator called the house to order, and announced that the minutes of the afternoon and evening sessions be read. On motion that the minutes be adopted, so ordered. The time allotted to hear reports from licen-

tiates and laymen had arrived and the following brethren responded: Bro. David Walker, assistant pastor of Mt. Calvary; and Bros. G. S. Buie, N. A. Melvin, B. J. Melvin. All the delegates present took deep interest in these reports, which showed that great struggles had been made for good. Letters were then read and the following brethren were appointed reading clerks: Rev. S. W. Justus, V. T. Williams, G. W. Carver. A letter was read from the Woman's Home Mission Society of Second Baptist Church, Fayetteville, showing 56 members, and raised during the year $36.42, given to the poor and sick $64.63, total raised for the year $101.05. This spirit of Christian benevolence was highly commended by the Association, and the Moderator said good things in behalf of this society, after which the delegates sang "draw me nearer, blessed Lord," then business was suspended to hear an address by Rev. R. McLauchlin and others.

Topic: "In what does Christian religion consist?" Rev. J. S. Brown and Bro. R. Darden spoke on the same topic. All the speakers did great honor to the topic, from which we believe much good will result. Then Rev. J. J. Scarlette ascended the rostrum, associated by Revs. Brown, Dunham and Pearsall. The Moderator introduced Rev. Scarlette, who preached the Educational Sermon from The Acts 7:22, And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds. The speaker was eloquent and masterful in his discourse. Then Rev. J. S. Brown then sang a beautiful solo, I'm on the gospel highway. Following this song Rev. I. P. Pearsall was introduced by the Moderator, Rev. E. E. Smith, who preached the Doctrinal Sermon from Matthew 19:6

A collection for education was then lifted amounting to $12.61. Then visiting ministers were again introduced as follows: Rev. M. A. Tally, State Missionary; Rev. H. I. Quick, Pee Dee Association: Rev. W. H. Wilder, Union Association, and each made remarks. At this point a letter was read from the Moderator of the Hammond's Creek Association, saying that that Association had been in-

formed by Revs. O. C McMillan, John L. Simpson and E. Z. Melvin that the leading elements of the Union Association were desirous of negotiating the consolidation of the Union Baptist and Hammond's Creek Associations.

The letter was referred to the following committee: Revs. N. B. Dunham, J. J. Scarlette, P. W. King, J. J. McDonald, L. A. Raiford, O. Watkin and Peter McMillan.

Adjourned for dinner. Benediction by the Moderator.

Second Day---Afternoon Session

Praise service was conducted, after which the Moderator called the house to order. The minutes of the forenoon session were read and adopted. Then the funeral of our late brother, J. M. Whitted, was preached by Rev. N. B. Nunham. Rev. J. S. Brown read scripture from the 15th chapter of I Corinthians. Prayer by Rev. J. J. C. Campbell. Rev. Dunham then lined hymn No. 941, (Soldiers of Christ, well done). The speaker then used as a text Revelations 14th chapter and 13th verse, "And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

After this sermon the delegates and congregation sang "Shall we meet beyond the River?" Revs. T. M. Council, P. W. King and Peter McMillan made touching remarks upon the life and character of Rev. Whitted, he having been in the gospel ministry for a period of sixty years prior to his death, and was recognized as the father of the Union Baptist Association, among the elders.

The Association now adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. Benediction by Rev. J. J. McDonald.

Third Day---Morning Session

Praise services were condncted by Bros. Miles Smith and E. D. McGuire. The Moderator then called the house to order, and ordered the minutes of the previous session

read. On motion that the minutes be adopted. Reports were called for and the various committees reported. (See appendix). The delegation to the State Educational and Missionary Convention was discussed, and after careful consideration it was agreed to send the following as delegates: Revs. Peter McMillan, J. J. McDonald, Rob't McLauchlin, L. A. Raiford, N. B. Dunham, E. E. Smith, J. R. McNair, O. C. McMillan, Maloy Wright, Peter King.

The delegates to the 1913 session of the State Convention made their reports. On motion that their reports be adopted. (See appendix). Rev. H. I. Quick spoke encouraging words to the brethren concerning the State work and the work of the Pee Dee Association, of which he is a member. On motion that the report of the Treasurer be adopted. Rev. J. R. McNair reported money raised by him for education $6.31. On motion that Rev. McNair's report be adopted with thanks. Rev. M. A. Tally, State Missionary, was asked to speak, and he delivered a very thoughtful address on the State work.

Mrs. S. A. Mial, State Missionary of the Woman's Convention, was present and addressed the Association upon the work that is being done by that body of sisters in the State and the mission fields of Africa.

According to programme, Rev. M. A. Tally, the appointee, who was to preach the Missionary Sermon, ascended the rostrum, associated by Revs. P. W. King, J. J. Scarlette and H. I. Quick. Rev. Scarlette read the 16th chapter of The Acts. Prayer was then offered by Rev. Quick. Rev. King lined hymn No. 559. At the close of this hymn Rev. M. A. Tally was introduced to the congregation. He arose and used as a text Acts 16th chapter and 9th verse.

(Come over and help us). When this excellent sermon was preached a collection was raised for the benefit of the Association amounting to $22.50, in which the following persons paid $1.00: Bros. E. E. Smith, G. S. Buie, J. M. Smith, E. Z. Melvin, C. A. Cogdell, N. B. Dunham, P. W. King, D. D. McDonald, J. J. McDonald, O. C. McMillan,

H. I. Quick, P. Currie.

The committee reported on its investigation of the Hammond's Creek Association, and upon motion to table the report was put and lost. On motion that the report be deferred for further investigation. Motion put and carried. On motion that we donate $5.00 to the Second New Light Church. Adjourned to meet with Laurel Hill Baptist Church, Hoke county Thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1915. Thus ends a very profitable and pleasant session of the Union Baptist Association.

(Our Motto: Peace with God and all man kind).

C. A. COGDELL,
Secretary.

E. E. SMITH,
Moderator.

APPENDIX

Report on Finance

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to make she following report:

Received from letters	$267.70
Received from collections	49.59
Total collections	$317.29

Respectfully submitted,
Nathan A. Melvin,
Geo. W. Burney,
Miles Smith,
Committee.

Report on Temperance

We, your committee on temperance, beg leave to make the following report:

The teachings of Scripture and experience prove that total abstinence from everything injurious to the body and soul is promotive to growth and strength of character and mind and is essential to the peace, harmony, purity and happiness of society.

Resolved, That this Association, with all its working forces, continue a crusade by using every legitimate measure within its reach to discourage the use of all alcoholic beverages, the use of tobacco in such forms as cigars, cigarettes and snuff and further to discourage the use of anything that tends to hinder the growth of the race in manhood and womanhood.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. P. W. King,
Rev. J. J. Scarlette,
Rev. S. W. Justus,
Rev. J. J. McDonald,
Bro. F. M. King,
Bro. J. H. Bain,
Committee.

Report of Auditor

Having examined the accounts of the Treasurer, finding that there had been placed in his hands during the year 1914 $187.74, and orders covering the amount $187.46, leaving a balance of 28c. on hand.

Respectfully submitted,
J. J. McDonald,
Auditor.

Report on the Moderator's Address

We, your committee on the Moderator's address, beg leave to make the following report:

Whereas, the address of the Moderator was so able and inspiring, instructive and timely in its make-up and principles. Therefore, in order that our people may get this instructive and helpful message. we recommend that this address be published in the Association minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. J. Scarlette,
Rev. N. B, Dunham,
Rev. P. W. King,
Committee.

Report on New Churches

We, your committee on new churches, beg leave to make the following report:

We have examined the orthodoxy of the Rock Hill church and find it in gospel order, having been regularly organized, and as such, we recommend its admission to the Association and the name placed on the church roster.

Respectfully submitted,
Revs. P. W. King,
Rev. Peter McMillan,
Bro. Geo. McNeill,
Bro. G. W. Carver,
Committee.

Report on Place

We your committee on place, beg leave to make the following report:

We recommend that the next session of the Association meet with the Laurel Hill Baptist church, near Lumber Bridge, Hoke county, thursday before the fourth Sunday in October, 1915.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. Melvin,
D. C. McNeill,
A. L. Johnson,
W. W. Evans,
L. R. McNeill,
Committee.

Report on Organization

We, your committee on organization, beg leave to make the following report: We recommend the following brethren for officers for the ensuing year: Rev. E. E. Smith, Moderator; Rev. N. B. Dunham, Vice-Moderator; Bro. C. A. Cogdell, Secretary; Rev. P. W. King, 2nd Vice.Moderator; Bro. A. L. Johnson, Treasurer; Rev. L. A. Raiford, Corresponding Secretary; Rev. J. J. McDonald, Auditor.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. O. Watkin,
Rev. J. M. Smith,
Rev. L. A. Raiford,
Rev. P. McMillan,
Rev. L. H. Maxwell,
Rev. E. Z. Melvin,
Committee.

Report on Obituary

We, your committee on obituary, beg leave to make the following report:

After having examined the different reports we find that it has pleased our Heavenly Father to call from labor to reward thirty-five of our members since our last meet-

ing. We sincerely regret this loss, but trust that our loss is heaven's gain.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. O. Watkin,
Rev. L. H. Maxwell,
Rev. W. H. Wilder,
Rev. J. J. C. Campell,
Rev. James McSwain,
Rev. F. D. Bandy,
Rev. L. A. Raiford,
Rev. W. T. Currie,
Committee.

Report on Resolutions

We, your committee on resolutions, beg leave to make the following report:

Seeing the need of a more efficient, consecrated, educated ministerial leadership among our people, we therefore recommend that this Association take its stand with the leading Associations of our denomination by requiring all applicants for ordination to pass 80%, or not less than 75% in the following subjects.

(1) Harvey on Church and Pastor, (2) Pendleton Outline of Theology, (3) Outline of Church History of the Baptist, Venders Sacred Geography, with Bible Atlas, (4) Baptist Doctrine, Hancock Church Directory, (5) History of the United States, (6) History of the Old and New Testaments, Smith's Languages.

We further recommend that the course of study be printed in the minutes of this Association from year to year.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. J. Scarlette,
Rev. J. S. Brown,
Rev. N. B. Dunham,
Rev. H. W. Townsend,
Rev. S. W. Justus,
Rev. I. P. Pearsall,
Bro. D. D. McDonald,
Committee.

Report on Education

We, your committee on education, beg leave to make the following report:

That education has two great objects; first, the formation of character, and second, the equipment for life's work. As to the first of these objects, the problem is about the same everywhere; and as to the second, different environments and opportunities should be considered before deciding as to the kind of character or character of education needed, as the church members and Christian workers are bound together by ties which only death itself can break, laboring in union, working together shoulder to shoulder to extend the kingdom of God and His Christ.

We should urge and encourage our young people to attend good schools. We should manifest more interest in the training and development of our boys and girls. Our Association is already helping quite a number of our young men and ministers to attend school, raising $200,00 annually for that purpose.

We point with pride to some of the most prominent young men and ministers in this section of North Carolina as having been inspired and encouraged to attend school by aid received from the Educational Board of our Association.

We recommend that the Association continue its laudable work in this direction and that the following young men, who are asking aid to attend school, be assisted from the following churches: First New Light, G. W. Burney; First Baptist, Fayetteville, R. R. Darden; St. Peters, Will Ross and Frank Mamior; Mt. Pisgah, Troy Smith; Second New Light, Maloy Wright and Alexander Robeson; St. John, G. W. McNeill; First Baptist, Parkton, V. T. Williams; Swann's Creek, N. A. McMillan, J. R. McNair, E. M. Burns; Laurel Hill, Henry McDonald; Pleasant Grove, A. S. King, W. H. King, W. T. Currie.

We recommend that all students complete the first four grades in the primary school before applying for aid, each student receiving $3.00 per month.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. N. B. Dunham,
Rev. I. P. Pearsall,
Rev. O. C. McMillan,
Bro. C. A. Cogdell,
Bro. Dennis Tysor,
Committee.

Report of the Educational Board

Bro. Moderator: The Educational Board begs leave to make the following report:

Brought over from 1913	$ 47.64
Received at Flat Swamp	141.75
Total receipts	$189.39

DISBURSED

R. R. Darden	$ 20.00	
J. H. McSwain	16.00	
J. W. McLauchlin	19.00	
Floyd Campbell	12.00	
Will Ross	16.00	
Alex Burns	12.00	
G. W. Burney	15.00	
Maloy Wright	11.25	
W. T. Currie	11.25	
Lillie Edwards	8.00	
Geo. Currie	11.00	
John Floyd Smith	16.00	
W. H. King	16.00	
Walter Monroe	4.00	
Total disbursed		$187.50
Balance on hand		$ 1.89

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. Smith,
N. B. Dunham,
O. Watkin,
P. W. King,
A. L. Johnson,
Dennis Tysor,
C. A. Cogdell,
Committee.

Report of the Home Mission Board

Brought over from 1913	$ 10.14
Received Nov. 29, 1913	79.59
Received March 28, 1914	47.23
Received May 29, 1914	69.52
Received August 28, 1914	91.61
Total receipts	$298.09

DISBURSED

Paid for church building and repairs	$145.00	
Paid to the President for services	6.00	
Paid to the Secretary for services	6.00	
Paid to programmes	11.40	
Paid to C. A. Cogdell, bal. on minutes	5.00	
Paid to the Widow McCall	5.00	
Paid to Foreign Missions	5.00	
Paid Rev. M. A. Tally, State Missionary	5.00	
Paid Rev. O. Watkin	10.00	
Loaned	35.00	
Total amount disbursed		$233.40
Balance on hand		$ 64.69

Respectfully submitted
J. J. McDonald,
Secretary.

Report of the Educational Missionary

Received as follows:

Swann's Creek	$ .69
First Baptist, St. Pauls	.15
Baptist Union	1.01
First Baptist, Parkton	.65
Gray's Creek	2.00
Savannah	.40
Miss Bertha Byrd	.25
Miss Amanda McNair	.25
Mrs. Martha McNair	.10
Rev. H. Adams	.10
Spring Hill	.70
J. E. Geddie	.01
Total receipts	$6.31

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. R. McNair,
Missionary.

The Executive Board directs the following disbursements:

For minutes	$ 40.00
For Secretary	16.00
For representation	18.00
For delegates to the State Convention	25.00

For Moderator	6.00
For Mrs. S. A. Mial, Missionary	10.00
For Shaw University	10.00
For Widow Gilmore	5.00
For Widow Scarboro	5.00
For Widow McCall	5.00
For Martha Whitted	5.00
For Rev. M. A. Tally, Missionary	15.00
For Programmes	3.75
For Treasurer	2.00
For Vice-President	3.00
For Auditor	1.00
For educational fund	138.85
Total disbursed	$308.60

Roll of Elders Belonging to the Association

E. E. Smith, O. Watkin, P. W. King, N. B. Dunham, L. A. Raiford, J. J. McDonald, H. Adams, Peter McMillan, W. H. Rhoe, Jno. L. Simpson, J. R. McNair, L. H. Maxwell, W. R. Monroe, N. W. Whitehead, S. W. Justus, J. J. C. Campbell, F. D Bandy, J. M. Smith, Maloy Wright, A. W. P. Smith, Robt. McLauchlin, E. M. McLauchlin, James McSwain, O. C. McMillan, A. D. Brewington, S. D. Douglas, C. S. Campbell, W. H. Blackman, W. T. Currie.

Roll of Licentiates

W. W. Smith, Joe Davis, T. J. Conoly, Allen Harden, J. D. Walker, David Walker, Amos McDonald, J. C. McLean, Wm. Williams, G. S. Buie, Joe Williams, Geo. U. Melvin, E. Z. Melvin, Samuel Easters, Wm. Melvin, Dennis Tysor, W. L. Lee, Ranson Darden.

Annual Address of the Moderator

My Brethren and Co-Laborers:

I greet you on this occasion in the name of our common Father, who has directed our steps, established our going, guided, protected and kept us through the vicissitudes of another year.

We have abundant cause for praise and thanksgiving to God for having preserved us through the many and varied ordeals with which our paths have been beset during the year now closing.

While the highest type of man's civilization, beyond the seas, are engaged in a bloody, deathly warfare, we rejoice that peace reigns abroad throughout the bounds of our land. Indeed we thank our father in heaven for peace of our nation, for the peace and harmony of the races, in this country; but, we are far more thankful for the peace of the brethren; for that peace which permeates our own breast; for that peace which comes down from above, and is above all earthly joys and consideration—a peace which the wars of all Europe and six cent cotton combined can't take away.

We are thankful, brethren, that God has esteemed us worthy to labor jointly with Christ in establishing peace in the world; in lifting up fallen men, in binding up wounded, broken hearts and in bringing the lost and wondering to their God. To be a co-laborer with Christ is a privilege; one, my brethren, which I fear we fail to duly appreciate.

Have we been earnest and faithful in performing the weighty obligations which the sacred trust committed to us imposes? Have we been true, thoughtful and vigilant, as God's under shepherds? Have we kept our face east-

ward with our eyes ever fixed on the bright and morning star?

If our time, talent, strength and means have been placed on God's altar during the past year, then we have been useful to our fellow man and God says to us today: "well done", and our coming together in our association will be a blessing to ourselves, to those whom we serve and also to our land and country.

Brethren, you have wrought well in some, yea in many respects. No one realizes this fact more fully than I do. You have gone through heat and cold, you have gone forth in season and out of season to preach the unsearchable riches of the word. You have preached the truth as you understand it; preached it to welcome and unwelcome hearers. You have quaried the rough stone, you have chiseled, polished it; and you have made it fit for the building, and yet there is work to be done, there is territory to be possessed. Yea, "spare not brethren, lengthen thy cords and strengthen thy stakes."

You, my brethren, have preached and taught, and now you must teach and preach. Show our people the paramount importance of acquisitiveness. Not only is it necessarp to teach one to do, but to be also. Teach that frugality and economy should be handmaids of industry. Teach the people the sacredness of an obligation. Teach the importance of promptness in filling engagements. Teach the desirability of system in affairs. Teach the harmfulness of baleful habits.

Tell our people that we spend enough money for chewing gum in one year to build a $10,000 cotton mill. Tell them that sufficient money is spent annually by our folks for candies and soft drinks to operate two silk mills with thousands of spindles.

If the foregoing is deplorable then the chapter that might be written on the waste of money expended for tobacco and alcoholic drinks would be appalling.

These things, my brethren, which I have just enumerat-

ed are to be found in the territory which we are going to possess.

There may be ten to doubt our ability to acquire the territory, but there will also be found two who with their little hands in the omnipetent hand will go forward to conquer and to conquest.

Yes, my brethren, as exponents of the Master's evangel, you must "cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgressions."

"Teach them to observe all things." If you teach people to observe all things you may expect to be rebuked and even ostracized, but like Peter and the other apostles, cease not to preach daily, so that our people may not be destroyed for lack of knowledge.

The Baptists throughout this country are moving on toward Canaan. With Christ as captain of the host, there are 2,500,000 negro Baptists in line, marching to the sweet music of One Lord, one faith and one baptism.

As an association let us rejoice that our loins have been cast in pleasant places, that we are doing definite home and foreign work.

In our home field we have not only helped a number of earnest and worthy young men to attend school, but under God we have been made able to stretch forth our hand and aid several of our churches here at our door.

But the work, my brethren, which you have done to advance the Master's cause during the year has not been confined to merely helping to educate our young men here at home. It has not only been to aid our local churches. You have heard the Macedonian call for help in heathen lands across the seas. You have responded to the sad cry from dark Africa and today you can rejoice that money raised by you brethren from your congregation is helping to civilize and christianize the heathen in Africa through the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention of which you you are a part.

"Enlarge the place of your tent and let them stretch

forth the curtains of thine inhabitants."

Let me recommend that we continue our appropriations for and contributions to Education, Home and Foreign Missions, also to the Orphans and to worthy Superanuated Ministers.

E. E. SMITH, Moderator.

Preamble and Constitution

WHEREAS, The people of God are commanded to strive together in union of interest and effort, elements of success for the advancement of Christ's kingdom; therefore, we, the Missiohary Baptists of this section of North Carolina, agree to form ourselves into an association for mutual help, having in view the following objects:

1. The establishment of union among our churches upon principles embracing discipline, government and organization. to encourage among our brethren by all Christian means industry, education, self-reliance, general improvement and spiritual advancement, and to preach the gospel as far as our ability will permit. To secure these ends we pledge ourselves to God and to each other to sustain the principles embodied in our constitution.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1. This association shall be known as the Union Missionary Baptist Association. The object shall be substantially as enumerated in the above preamble.

ARTICLE 2. The officers shall consit of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Auditor, and Executive Board of seven. All the other officers shall be elected annually by the Association.

ARTICLE 3. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the Association, decide points of order and sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer of the Association; he is ex-officio President of the Executive Board. He shall not vote save in case of a tie.

ARTICLE 4. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President in his absence.

ARTICLE 5. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of all proceedings of the Association and prepare the same for publication, superintend the printing and distribution of the minutes; he shall keep all books and stationary belonging to the Association.

ARTICLE 6. The Treasurer shall receive all money belonging to and collected during sitting of the Association, and pay out the same upon the order of the Association—all orders being signed by the Moderator and countersigned by the Corresponding Secretary.

ARTICLE 7. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence relating to the business of the Association; he shall be Secretary

of the Executive Board of the Association and shall countersign all orders on the treasury.

ARTICLE 8. The Auditor shall examine the accounts of the Treasurer and make annual report of its condition to this body.

ARTICLE 9. The Executive Board of the Association shall transact all business of the Association during its recess.

ARTICLE 10. This body shall be composed of pastors and ordained ministers belonging to the churches connected with the Association, and Messengers chosen from the same, each church being entitled to three Messengers, and must send to the Association ten cents for each member represented in the Association, five cents for Educational and five cents for Associational purposes.

ARTICLE 11. Any church desiring to join the Association may do so by letter or messenger, the same being regularly organized. All messengers to the Association must be armed with properly credited credentials. No church will be fellowshipped in this Association which neglects to maintain gospel order.

ARTICLE 12. The annual session of this Association shall be held on Thursday after the third Sunday in October of each year, at such places as may be selected.

ARTICLE 13. By appointment of the Association there may be preached at the annual session an introductory, missionary, educational and doctrinal sermon.

ARTICLE 14. This constitution may be amended at any annual session by a two-thirds vote, provided such amendment be read or offered during the first day of the session.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE 1. This Association shall not recognize or receive any church having as members any person excluded from any orther church.

ARTICLE 2. All churches of this body are especially requested to take special care of their pastors, and use all efforts to help them gain instruction into the ministry.

ART. 3. From this time forward no church within the jurisdiction of this Association shall ordain any minister to preach unless he can read the Bible.

ART. 4. Any elder or minister found intoxicated, or who shall visit places of ill repute, such as barrooms, or knowingly indulge in any immorality, such as living in cohabitation without being lawfully married, or acting in any manner such as will bring reproach upon the Baptist faith and profession shall be called before a council of elders and dealt with for breach of good behaviour.

RULES OF DECORUM

ARTICLE 1. The President and Clerk shall hold their offices from their election at one session until the election of officers at the next session, and it shall be their duty to occupy their respective stations and proceed regularly to organization.

ART. 2. The President shall call the Association to order, or in his absence the Vice-President shall act, and if he is absent the Secretary must open the session.

ART. 3. There shall be singing and prayer at the opening of each day's session.

ART. 4. Delegates shall enroll their names by letter or other evidence of election. Letters read and other statistical matter noted.

ART. 5. Visiting brethren from other Associations, not delegates, may be invited to seats by a majority vote of the body.

ART. 6. The Association shall proceed to organize by electing a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who, when elected, shall take their seats.

ARTICLES OF FAITH

1. We believe in only one living God, and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Gen. 13:26, 2nd Cor. 13:14.

2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testatements are the word of God, and the only rule of faith and practice. 2 Tim. 3:16.

3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal particular election. Acts 3:48; Romans 8:28-30; 11:5-7; 2 Tim. 2:10; 1 Peter 1-2, 2 John 6:37-44.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin. Psalms 1-5.

5. We believe in the doctrine of man's impotency to recover himself from the fall he is in by nature of his own free will and ability. Ephesians 11:1-10.

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Christ. Galatians 11:16, Romans 3:24; 5-9.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, converted and sanctified by the Holy Spirit. Eph. 1:4-7; 2 Thes. 1:13-14; Tim. 1:5.

8. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace, and never fall finally away. John 10:28-30; 3:1; 1 Peter 1-9.

9. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ, and that the true believers are the only subjects of these ordinances and that the true method of baptism is in immersion. Matt. 3:16; Acts 8:38-39; Romans 6:4; Eph. 4:12.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and general judgment. 1 Cor. 15.

11. We believe that the punishment of the wicked is everlasting, and that the joys of the righteous are eternal. Matt. 15:43, Rev. 20:12-15.

12. We believe that ordained ministers, or such as have come under the imposition of hands by a regular authorized presbytery only, have a right to administer the ordinance. 1 Timothy 4:14; 2 Timothy 1:6.

13. We believe that only regular baptized members in good standing have a right at the Lord's Table.

Constitution of the Union

ARTICLE 1. This body shall be known as the Church Union of the Union Baptist Association.

ART. 2. The object shall be to supply ourselves with better houses of worship, to foster the spirit of union and mission in our churches, among our deacons and ministers on principles of righteousness as contained in the Bible.

ART. 3. Its officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually, and a Home Mission Board consisting of life members by payment of five dollars each, and it shall be presided over by the same officers of the Union, and make all appropriations and have charge of all home mission work.

ART. 5. The Union shall meet Saturday before the fifth Sundays of each year at such places as may be chosen.

ART. 4. There shall be devotional services at the opening of each day's session.

ART. 6. There shall be preached an Introductory, Doctrinal, and Missionary Sermon at each Union.

ART. 7. The Union shall be composed of messengers chosen of the churches and deacons and ministers belonging to the same.

ART. 8. Each church may represent by letter and messenger by payment of two cents for each member represented, one cent for building funds, and one cent for expenses and missions. Each church is entitled to two messengers.

ART. 9. This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting of the Union by a vote of two-thirds majority of those present.

CHURCHES	PASTORS AND POSTOFFICES	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Restored	Died	Membership	Home Mission	Foreign Mission	Ministerial Education	Other Objects	Association Mission	Improvements	Val. of Church Property	Pastor's Salary	Other Expenses
Grays Creek	W. H. Diggs, Maxton	13	.....	3	8	3	5	198	$19 80	$.....	$15 35	$.....	$ 9 90	$.....	$ 1 500	$ 140	$ 10 00
Leach Springs	Maloy Wright, Tar Heel	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 20	.....	300	75	.....
2nd St. Matthew	J. M. Smith, Shannon	27	10	.....	4	2	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 200	150	38 90
St. James	O. C. McMillan, White Oak	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	60	25 00
St. Peters	A. D. Brewington, Parkton	5	.....	1	.....	1	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 80	.....	500	50	.....
St. Matthew No. 1	Peter McMillan, St. Pauls	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 70	.....	400	.....	.....
Mt Pisgah	F. D. Bandy, Raeford	11	.....	.....	2	.....	1	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 40	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Olive	O. Watkin, Fayetteville	7	1	.....	1	.....	.....	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 60	13 00	500	90	7 00
New Hope	James McSwain, Fayetteville	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lillies Grove	James McSwain, Fayetteville	8	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 10	.....	150	.....	.....
Baptist Union	I. P. Pearsall, Clinton	7	1	2	.....	2	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	1 15	5 85	.....	1 500	181	.....
1st Baptist Fayetteville	J. J. Scarlette, Fayetteville	27	1	1	3	1	5	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 30	75 00	6 000	600	130 00
Piney Grove [H]	S. W. Justus, Fayetteville	24	.....	2	1	.....	2	163	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 20	.....	1 000	210	.....
St. John	F. D. Bandy, Raeford	15	2	.....	6	2	2	137	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 70	.....	2 500	175	.....
Red Springs	P. W. King, Fayetteville	1	5	.....	1	1	1	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 30	.....	2 000	500	185 00
Shiloh	O. Watkin, Fayetteville	11	.....	1	13	2	.....	98	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	600	100	13 50
Piney Grove [C]	James McSwain, Fayetteville	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 60	.....	500	.....	.....
Spring Hill	W. W. Whitehead, Lumberton	3	.....	.....	4	1	.....	50	15 00	.....	10 00	.....	5 00	.....	500	100	.....
Laurel Hill	N. B. Dunham, White Oak	7	2	.....	3	2	3	127	.....	.....	.....	12 00	12 70	68 00	1 600	150	.....
Cedar Creek	Maloy Wright, Tar Heel	5	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	100 00	300	80	48 00
2nd New Light	H. Adams, Cedar Creek	10	.....	.....	2	1	.....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	12 50	.....	2 000	123	.....
Flat Swamp	N. B. Dunham, White Oak	2	.....	.....	2	3	4	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 500	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	F. D. Bandy, Raeford	4	1	.....	9	1	7	185	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 20	27 00	2 500	175	25 00
1st Baptist Parkton	H. Adams, Cedar Creek	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 10	.....	2 000	125	125 00
1st New Light	H. Adams, Cedar Creek	7	1	1	1	1	1	145	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 90	.....	1 500	100	15 00
New Bethel	O. Watkin, Fayetteville	12	1	.....	10	7	.....	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 20	376 00	1 000	135	26 00
Swann's Creek	H. Adams, Cedar Creek	6	2	.....	7	8	2	138	.....	.....	6 90	.....	6 90	.....	1 500	157	38 20
Mt Calvary	O. Watkin, Fayetteville	4	1	.....	2	.....	.....	95	9 60	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	1 500	100	40 00
2nd Baptist Fayetteville	W. H. Rhone, Fapetteville	6	.....	4	.....	2	.....	49	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 90	.....	1 000	75	.....
Savannah	I. P. Pearsall, Clinton	8	1	1	3	4	2	175	.....	2 00	.....	.....	15 70	.....	1 000	175	135 00
Oak Ridge	I. P. Pearsall, Clinton	19	2	1	4	1	1	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 000	188	50 00
Beauty Spot	H. Adams, Cedar Creek	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	68	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 80	.....	500	58	.....
Rock Hill	J. D. Walker, Raeford	13	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 30	.....	.....	125	.....
China Grove	Peter McMillan. St. Pauls	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
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